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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
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Motion of

CONTINENTAL AIRLINES, INC.

for Confidential Treatment of Documents Under
Rule 12 of the Rules of Practice of the Department
of Transportation

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Docket OST-96-1222
(Continental Airlines, Inc.
Form 41, Schedule B-7)

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CONTINENTAL AIRLINES, INC.
FOR CONFIDENTIAL TREATMENT
PURSUANT TO RULE 12

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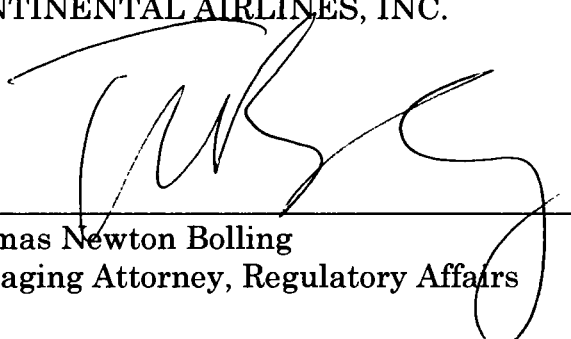
The information which is the subject of this motion details Continental's acquisition and depreciation costs for its airframe and engine purchases. This information is clearly financial or commercial in nature, obtained from a person outside the government and confidential. The Department, by letters to Delta Air Lines, Inc. on March 29, 1993, and to American Airlines, Inc. on June 5, 1995, from James W. Mitchell, Director, Office of Airline Statistics, granted confidential treatment to similar data filed by Delta Air Lines, Inc. Equivalent treatment should be accorded to Continental's submission. Continental asks the Department to protect the confidential data in all Schedule B-7 submissions from public disclosure for at least ten years, which is the withholding period sought by Delta Air Lines, Inc. (Docket 48649), United Air Lines, Inc. (Docket 48726), Northwest Airlines, Inc. (Docket 46597), American Airlines, Inc. (Docket 48800) and ExpressJet Airlines, Inc. d/b/a Continental Express (formerly Continental Express, Inc.) (former Docket 49492) for their Schedule B-7 submissions.

During the last thirteen years, Continental Airlines, Inc., ExpressJet Airlines, Inc. d/b/a Continental Express (formerly Continental Express, Inc.), and Continental Micronesia, Inc. have each filed similar motions in former Docket 49492 and this docket seeking confidential treatment for their Schedules B-7 submissions and those motions remain pending. Continental hereby adopts and incorporates by reference each of the arguments in the previous motions in former Docket 49492 and in this docket for confidential treatment of its Schedule B-7 submission for the quarter ended March 31, 2009.

WHEREFORE, Continental moves that the document submitted under seal with this motion be withheld from public disclosure pursuant to Rule 12 for a period of at least ten years.

Respectfully submitted,

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